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FOR USDEL PREPCOM UN DECADE FOR WOMEN

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TAGS: PORG, OCON, SHUM, UN

SUBJECT: PARTICIPATION IN 1980 UN CONFERENCE ON DECADE FOR
WOMEN

REF: MATTESON/NILES TELECON, JUNE 27, 1978

1. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT PROPOSED RULES FOR
PARTICIPATION IN SUBJECT CONFERENCE INCLUDE FOLLOWING
FOUR ITEMS:

(A) AN ALL-STATES CLAUSE;

(B) A PROVISION FOR PARTICIPATION AS OBSERVERS BY
REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS WHICH HAVE RECEIVED
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INVITATIONS FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY PURSUANT TO
RESOLUTION 3237 (XXIX);

(C) A PROVISION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE CAPACITY OF
OBSERVERS BY REPRESENTATIVES OF NATIONAL LIBERATION
MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE OAU AND/OR THE LEAGUE OF
ARAB STATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH GA RESOLUTIONS 3237 (XXIX)

AND 3280 (XXIX); AND

(D) PARTICIPATION BY THE UN COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA AS A MEMBER STATE.

2. USDEL SHOULD SUPPORT ITEM (A).

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3. US HAS ACQUIESCED IN ITEMS (B) AND (C), BUT HAS INDICATED FOR THE RECORD THAT IT CONTINUES TO HAVE RESERVATIONS CONCERNING PARTICIPATION OF SUCH ORGANIZATIONS. USDEL MAY AGAIN ACQUIESCE IN THIS LANGUAGE BUT SHOULD INDICATE RESERVATION FOR RECORD, IF POSSIBLE.

4. WE CANNOT AGREE TO ITEM (D) REGARDING UN COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA AS NAMIBIA DOES NOT CURRENTLY POSSESS ATTRIBUTES OF A STATE. YOU SHOULD PRESS FOR OBSERVER STATUS FOR COUNCIL, NOTING THAT IT IS OUR OBJECTIVE, TOGETHER WITH FOUR MEMBERS OF THE WESTERN CONTACT GROUP, THAT NAMIBIA BECOME AN INDEPENDENT STATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND CERTAINLY PRIOR TO 1980 CONFERENCE. YOU SHOULD COORDINATE YOUR PRESENTATION ON THIS POINT WITH CANADIAN, BRITISH, FRENCH AND FRG DELEGATIONS.

5. RE PARA 3 E OF VIENNA 5848 ON SECRETARY GENERAL OF CONFERENCE, USDEL SHOULD RESIST EFFORTS TO INCLUDE STIPULATION THAT SYG BE FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRY. THIS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COULD SET UNDESIRABLE PRECEDENT AND IS IN ANY CASE UNNECESSARY SINCE WE ARE PREPARED TO SUPPORT JAMAICAN REP AS SYG. VANCE

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